

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A liquid container, comprising:
  - (a) a bottom;
  - (b) a reservoir tube disposed in said bottom;
  - (c) a capillary disposed in contact with said reservoir tube;
  - (d) a middle portion disposed on said bottom; ~~[[and]]~~
  - (e) said capillary having an upper portion extending from an upper opening of said middle portion; and  
(d) said capillary transporting liquid from said reservoir tube to an upper portion of said capillary without being subjected to an intermediate storage member.
2. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 1, further comprising:  
a top removably disposed on said middle portion and sealing in said top said upper portion of said capillary.
3. (currently amended) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 1, wherein:  
said middle portion fits into said bottom and is held therein by means of a horizontal ledge formed on said middle portion that fits into a corresponding horizontal groove defined in said bottom, said horizontal ledge not extending around said middle portion.
4. (currently amended) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 2, wherein:  
said top is removably held on said middle portion by means of at least one flange formed on said top, said at least one flange grippingly engaging said middle portion, said at least one flange not extending around said top.

5. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 2, further comprising:  
a mounting clip fixedly disposed on said top.

6. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 5, wherein: said  
mounting clip is adapted to hold said container on a stethoscope.

7. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 6, wherein: said  
mounting clip includes:

(a) two upper arms adapted to be bent around upper tubes of said  
stethoscope; and

(b) two lower arms adapted to be bent around a lower tube of said  
stethoscope.

8. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 1, wherein: said  
reservoir tube is formed of a clear plastic material filled with a porous acetate  
material.

9. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 1, wherein: said  
capillary is formed of a porous high density polyethylene material.

10. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 5, wherein: said  
mounting clip is formed of neoprene.

11. (currently amended) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 7, further  
comprising: a hollow tube into the ends of which said lower arms [[can be]] are  
inserted after they are bent around a lower tube of said stethoscope.

12. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 11, wherein: said  
hollow tube is formed of a foamed plastic material.

13. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 1, wherein: said bottom includes two vertical, oppositely disposed walls sloping from an upper point near a top of said bottom where they have no width to a lower point near a bottom of said bottom to guide said reservoir tube in place.

14. (original) A liquid container, as defined in Claim 13, wherein: said reservoir tube is partially held in place by two, oppositely disposed vertical walls of said bottom.

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31. (new) A liquid container, comprising:

(a) a bottom;

(b) a reservoir tube disposed in said bottom;

(c) a capillary disposed in contact with said reservoir tube;

(d) a middle portion disposed on said bottom;

(e) said capillary having an upper portion extending from an upper opening of said middle portion.

(f) a top removably disposed on said middle portion and sealing in said top said upper portion of said capillary;

(g) said top removably held on said middle portion by means of at least one flange formed on said top, said at least one flange grippingly engaging said middle portion;

(h) a mounting clip fixedly disposed on said top, said mounting clip adapted to hold said container on a stethoscope, said mounting clip being formed of neoprene and including two upper arms adapted to be bent around upper tubes of said stethoscope; and two lower arms adapted to be bent around a lower tube of said stethoscope; and

(i) a hollow tube into the ends of which said lower arms are inserted after they are bent around a lower tube of said stethoscope.

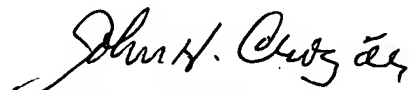
32. (new) A liquid container, comprising:

- (a) a bottom;
- (b) a reservoir tube disposed in said bottom;
- (c) a capillary disposed in contact with said reservoir tube;
- (d) a middle portion disposed on said bottom;
- (e) said capillary having an upper portion extending from an upper opening of said middle portion.
- (f) a top removably disposed on said middle portion and sealing in said top said upper portion of said capillary;
- (g) said top removably held on said middle portion by means of at least one flange formed on said top, said at least one flange grippingly engaging said middle portion;
- (h) a mounting clip fixedly disposed on said top, said mounting clip adapted to hold said container on a stethoscope, said mounting clip being formed of neoprene and including two upper arms adapted to be bent around upper tubes of said stethoscope; and two lower arms adapted to be bent around a lower tube of said stethoscope; and
- (i) a hollow tube formed of a foamed plastic material into the ends of which said lower arms are inserted after they are bent around a lower tube of said stethoscope.

Should the Examiner have any questions with respect to the claims or any suggestions as to the wording thereof, the undersigned would be grateful for a telephone conference with the Examiner.

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